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In re application of E. Alan Bates et al. Application No. 08/935,629 Filed 09/23/97 For ASSAYING DEVICE

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AMENDMENT

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Message:

In reply to the action mailed 02/22/00, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add claims 42-44 as follows:

and a narrow end face (1c);

- An assaying device for depositing and analyzing a sample, comprising:
- a cartridge/cassette having a broad, lateral face (1a), a narrow, lateral face (1b),
 - A. the cartridge/cassette containing a test strip, a window in the broad, lateral

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